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BRIDGEVILLE NURSERIES.

Special Wholesale Price-List for
Nurserymen and Dealers Only.



MILLER RED RASPBERRY

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MYER & SON, Proprietors,

Bridgeville, = = Delaware.

# Miller Red Raspberry.



HERE is an instance of one of the good things of life which has been kept from the public for some years by a few growers, who preferred to market the fruit rather than sell the plants. This berry has been fruited for some years past, and would probably have remained in seclusion for a long time to come if it had not been brought to public notice by a few enterprising fruit men, who desired that the horticultural world should know more of its good qualities and reap some of the profits thereof. Only a short description is necessary.

The bush is a stout, healthy, vigorous grower, not quite so tall as Cuthbert, but rather more stocky and dwarfish. It is well calculated to hold up the immense crops of fruit with which it loads itself.

As compared with Cuthbert and Thompson, growing in the same field, it has never yet shown any signs of winter killing, whilst these have both suffered considerably in mild winters. Berry is as large as Cuthbert, holding its size to the end of the season; round in shape; color bright red, does not fade, but will hold its color after shipment longer than any other red variety; core very small, does not crumble, making it **the firmest and best shipping berry in existence**; has not the flat taste of some varieties, but a rich, fruity flavor entirely its own. The time of ripening is with the very earliest, the first picking being with Thompson's Early, June 11, the Miller producing double the quantity of berries at each picking that Thompson's did, in the same field, under the same conditions, continuing until August 3—Thompson having been gone three weeks; fully as prolific as Cuthbert. It does not seem particular as to soil, having been fruited on light, sandy, gravelly and heavy clay soils with equal success. To sum up in conclusion, it possesses the following points of superiority as compared with other varieties:

- 1st. Ripens with the very earliest.
- 2d. Productiveness equal to any.
- 3d. Has no equal as a shipper.
- 4th. Perfectly hardy.
- 5th. Quality Unsurpassed.
- 6th. Attractive Color.

Below will be found a few testimonials from well known horticulturists and commission men who have seen and handled this berry:

## Testimonials.

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,

DIVISION OF POMOLOGY, WASHINGTON, D. C., *July 3, 1894.*

Dear Sir—Your letter of July 2, describing the Miller Raspberry, received, for which, and the berries, accept my thanks.

It has every appearance of being remarkably productive; in fact, your trial with it and Thompson's Early establishes its fruitfulness; is of a beautiful color, which it retains even when berries are crushed in transportation; is of good size, of remarkable firmness, and should prove a valuable addition to our list of red Raspberries. In quality I consider it superior to Cuthbert.

Yours truly,

S. B. HEIGES, Pomologist.

LATER—*July 6.*—Since reading your letter of July 4, I am doubly impressed with the merits of the Miller. Mr. Taylor reports as follows: "Resembles Brandywine in general appearance, but is firmer. Its earliness, firmness, productiveness, bright color and good quality combine to make it a very promising variety for market.

Yours truly,

S. B. HEIGES, Pomologist.

Prof. Taylor is assistant U. S. Pomologist.

PARKSLEY, VA., July 13, 1894.

Dear Sir—Your letter of the 2d and the box of the Miller Raspberry came all right. It is indeed a good berry. The size, color and flavor are good, and it is quite firm enough to ship well. I had been to Richmond to see a new Raspberry on the grounds of M. T. Thompson not long before your specimens came, and there saw the Thompson (Early Prolific), to which you refer. I think the Miller better if it bears generally as it does with you.

Yours sincerely,

H. E. VANDEMAN, *Ex-U. S. Pomologist.*

THE AMERICAN AGRICULTURIST,  
ORANGE JUDD CO., 52 AND 54 LAFAYETTE PLACE,

NEW YORK, July 11, 1894.

Dear Sir—The berries came to hand this morning, and were in very fair condition. It seems like a solid, good colored and good quality fruit, of good size. Are you confident that it will outyield the Cuthbert? I should be glad to have the history of the berry—its origin, etc., and if possible, would like two or three plants next spring to test it here. Has it been disseminated? I do not remember to have heard of it before.

Sincerely yours, E. G. FOWLER.

Mr. Fowler was formerly associate editor of *The Rural New-Yorker*, but is now connected with the *American Agriculturist*.

OFFICE OF THE FARM JOURNAL,  
EDITORIAL DEPARTMENT, PHILADELPHIA, July 3, 1894.

Dear Sir—We received in good order the little box of Miller Raspberries. They are certainly very large and fine. Have you been informed that we are intending to publish next winter a berry book? It would not be a bad idea for you to have a painting or photograph made of the berry, and furnish us with information concerning it.

Yours truly, WILMER ATKINSON CO.

PHILADELPHIA, July 4, 1894.

Dear Sir—Your letter received. We think without exception you have sent us the finest red Raspberries we have handled, and yesterday, while all Queens were soft your Miller was firm and hard.

SMITH & MILLER, *Produce and Commission Merchants.*

BROOKLYN, N. Y., July 13, 1894.

Dear Sir—Your Raspberry, called the Miller, is the best Raspberry that every came to this market for color and size. Their keeping qualities have never been equaled, as I have found that they are as firm after 24 hours' standing as the general run of Raspberries are at picking.

Yours,

THOS. H. TOWNSEND, *Commission Merchant.*

PHILADELPHIA, July, 1894.

Dear Sir—The Miller Raspberry, which we have handled for you this season, we consider an excellent berry, surpassed by none in size, flavor and durability in shipping. We would recommend the cultivation of this variety, as it cannot but prove a very profitable undertaking for the grower.

Respectfully,  
J. P. MOYER & CO., *Wholesale Commission Merchants.*

PHILADELPHIA, July 5, 1894.

Dear Sir—The red Raspberries we have been handling for you, called the Miller, we have found to give the best satisfaction to our trade of any berry we have handled this season. They have been of good color, very large and firm, and we always had them engaged on arrival. Every one who has bought them of us has praised them very highly, and has engaged them ahead. We have always been able to get from two to four cents per quart more for them than any of the other berries we have handled at the same time. Wishing you success with your berries, we remain, Yours,

DENNEY & WRIGHT, *Commission Merchants.*

We employ no agents or traveling salesmen, either on commission or otherwise; but to dealers, or others to sell again, we will, for cash with order, or upon satisfactory security, furnish at the trade rates herein named.

### Wholesale Price-List.

IN presenting our Wholesale Trade-List we are pleased to announce that our stock of trees and plants is of unusually good quality, more extensive than in former years, and that the utmost care and best attention will be given all orders.

In this list we offer only such stock as we can furnish in large quantities at low rates. Others not enumerated can be supplied in limited quantities at prices named in the **Descriptive Catalogue**, which will be mailed on application.

The prices fixed are net cash for the quantities specified; 25 and 250 will be furnished at rates per 100 and 1,000 respectively.

# BRIDGEVILLE NURSERIES.

## Wholesale Price-List, continued.

### APPLES.

|                                           | Per 1,000 |
|-------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Apple Trees, No. 1, 6 to 7 feet . . . . . | \$100 00  |
| " No. 1, 5 to 6 feet . . . . .            | 80 00     |
| " Medium, 4 to 5 feet . . . . .           | 70 50     |

### PEACHES.

|                              | Per 1,000 |
|------------------------------|-----------|
| 4 to 5 feet, No. 1 . . . . . | \$35 00   |
| 3 to 4 feet, No. 2 . . . . . | 25 00     |
| 2 to 3 feet, No. 3 . . . . . | 17 50     |

(If graded by caliper, \$5 per 1,000 more.)

June buds, **Columbian**, 25 cts. each, \$15 per 100.

### PLUMS.

On Peach stock, one year from bud. **Abundance**, **Burbank**, **Golden Beauty**.

|                         | Per 1,000               |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| 4 to 5 feet . . . . .   | \$70 00                 |
| 3 to 4 feet . . . . .   | 60 00                   |
| 2 to 3 feet . . . . .   | 50 00                   |
| June buds . . . . .     | 30 00                   |
| " Lincoln . . . . .     | per 100, \$15 . . . . . |
| " Wickson . . . . .     | each, 50 cts. . . . .   |
| " Giant Prune . . . . . | each, 50 cts. . . . .   |

On Plum stock, one year from bud.

|                       |        |
|-----------------------|--------|
| 4 to 5 feet . . . . . | 120 00 |
| 3 to 4 feet . . . . . | 100 00 |
| 2 to 3 feet . . . . . | 80 00  |

### APRICOTS.

On Peach stock, one year from bud.

|                       |       |
|-----------------------|-------|
| 4 to 5 feet . . . . . | 70 00 |
| 3 to 4 feet . . . . . | 60 00 |
| 2 to 3 feet . . . . . | 50 00 |

### BLACKBERRY

|                                                      |                        |
|------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| Early Harvest, sucker plants . . . . .               | 4 00                   |
| Maxwell's Early, sucker plants . . . . .             | 15 00                  |
| " " root cuttings . . . . .                          | 25 00                  |
| Eldorado, sucker plants . . . . .                    | per 100, \$5 . . . . . |
| " root cuttings . . . . .                            | per 100, \$6 . . . . . |
| Minnewaski, root cuttings . . . . .                  | 15 00                  |
| Ohmer, root cuttings . . . . .                       | 25 00                  |
| Lucretia, tips, No. 1, for spring shipment . . . . . | 5 00                   |
| " tips, No. 2, for spring shipment . . . . .         | 3 00                   |

### RASPBERRIES.

| Reds.                          | Per 1,000              | Caps.   | Per 1,000 |
|--------------------------------|------------------------|---------|-----------|
| Miller . . . . .               | doz., \$1.25 . . . . . | \$35 00 | \$6 00    |
| " strong transplants . . . . . | 6 00                   | 40 00   | 6 00      |
| Loudon . . . . .               | doz., \$3.25 . . . . . | 15 00   | 6 00      |
| Columbian . . . . .            | doz., \$2.50 . . . . . | 20 00   | 6 00      |
| Turner . . . . .               |                        | 4 00    | 8 00      |
| Thompson's Early . . . . .     |                        | 5 00    | 8 00      |
| Cuthbert . . . . .             |                        | 5 00    | 5 00      |

**CAUTION.** We wish to say a few words regarding the Miller Red Raspberry. Since the introduction of this berry, and its immense sale, and the demand for plants, there have been sold, and are now being propagated here, two or three other local varieties, claimed to be the same as Miller, that will be thrown on the market by unscrupulous growers and dealers. So we say, be careful who you purchase stock from, and be sure it is some responsible nurseryman, who has obtained his stock direct from headquarters. Everybody interested in Red Raspberries is cordially invited to come and see them in fruit, in June or July. Orders should be placed early, as the stock will be limited, owing to the large demand for this variety.

**STRAWBERRIES.** We will have a full assortment of Strawberries for spring, of fine, well-rooted plants, at prices ranging from \$1.50 per 1,000 up.